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COULD CHAW!



John Claflin

John Claflin, head of the biggest dry goods concern in the world, the H. B. Claflin Co., which has just gone into the hands of a receiver.

#### BARBERS WIN DEMANDS

The Barbers' Union won their demands in the Maxwell street district yesterday, the employers agreeing upon union prices of 15 cents a shave and 25 cents a haircut. The shops will keep open from 7 a. m. until 8:30 p. m. week days, 7 to 10 Saturdays and 7 to 1 Sundays.

Nature is kind to her dumb creatures. Peek-a-boos and thin nose arrive just in time to save the mosquito crop.—Peoria Journal.

Government flour mills are advocated by the Minister of Agriculture for New South Wales, Sydney, Australia.

#### AUSTIN PROPERTY OWNERS KICK AGAINST LAND SALE

The willingness of the Board of Education to sell thirteen and one-half acres of land in school section 16 to the Minneapolis, St. Paul & Sault Ste. Marie Railroad at a price of \$5,000 an acre has aroused property owners in Austin and a protest meeting will be held Sunday at 2:30 p. m. in the Church of the Resurrection.

The sale of this land would dispose of Harvard street from 50th to 51st, part of 50th avenue and part of 51st street. The railroad company bought some land in this section two years ago and wants more for a switching station and storage track.

The indignation of the neighborhood is not only over the prospect of a switching station and the streets closed, but because the school board in selling this land will cause a depreciation of the land they own to the north and south of this tract, which will be far more than the amount they receive for the section they sell through the fact that the railroads runs through it.

Also this will bring a switching station in very close proximity to the school at 51st and Harrison streets.

A year ago the school board tried to get the permission of the city council to dispose of this section of the railroad, but at that time the council threw the proposition out and the sale was blocked.

The meeting tomorrow will be attended by members of the Austin Heights and Neighborhood Improvement Association, the South Austin Improvement Club, the Austin Improvement Association and scores of property owners and residents of the district. Some of the speakers scheduled are Aldermen Thomas J. Lynch and M. J. Healy, and J. J. Gubbins, O. J. Cooper, John W. Kennedy, William E. Golde and John Dooley.

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